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The Honorable Frank R. Wolf House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Wolf:

Many thanks for sending me a copy of your letter to Ethiopian President Mengistu concerning the movement of emergency food aid to Tigre and Eritrea provinces in northern Ethiopia.

A letter signed by ninety-four Congressmen should prove to be difficult for Mengistu to ignore. I commend you for undertaking the effort to organize such a campaign.

Sincerely,

# /s/: William J. Casey

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515 March 5, 1985

FRANK R. WOLF

Dear Dir

I have enclosed a copy of a letter signed by 94 members of Congress to President Mengistu of Ethiopia, which I thought would be of interest to you.

The letter urges President Mengistu to facilitate the movement of food convoys to the regions of Eritrea and Tigre in northern Ethiopia, to accept all offers of international assistance, and to permit the transportation of donations through bordering nations.

Even though progress has been made in supplying the Ethiopian people with food, supplies of adequate food are only part of the problem. We must engage in every possible effort to persuade the Ethiopian government to expand the avenues for assistance, particularly in the northern region. I hope our letter is helpful in this regard.

Frank R. Wolf Me per of Congress

Hon. William Casey Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

These members have agreed to sign the letter to Mengistu, however, due to time constraints not all signatures appear on the attached signature pages.

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February 28, 1985

Dear President Mengistu:

We wish to share with you our grave concerns about the thousands of starving people in Ethiopia. Some of us have had the opportunity to visit your country recently; all of us have read press reports or heard accounts from volunteer relief workers who have returned from Ethiopia concerning the desperate situation confronting your people.

We are especially troubled about the plight of those in the northern region where relief agencies have been unable to reach those in dire need of food and relief supplies. While progress is being made to respond to the overall crisis, we would respectfully urge you to take all possible measures to provide food and relief supplies to the starving people in portions of Eritrea and Tigre.

We commend to your attention the current efforts by the United States and international assistance organizations to provide relief, and we encourage you to accept all offers of assistance by international groups. In addition, we would encourage your government to consider all available means of expediting donations to the people of Eritrea and Tigre, including transportation across international borders and development of a safe passage policy to ensure that famine relief efforts reach all areas of Ethiopia.

In light of the many starving people in Eritrea and Tigre, it is our hope that famine aid can be delivered to these areas notwithstanding political considerations. Your attention to our observations and concerns is appreciated. We hope that our nations can increase their mutual cooperation in this humanitarian undertaking.

Frank R. Wolf

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